



**WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT
OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
FINAL DETERMINATION OF
NON-SIGNIFICANCE**
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State of Washington
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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Name of Proposal: JOHN'S RIVER RESTORATION PROJECT

Description of Proposal: The proposed project plans to breach a dike on the north side of John's River to restore a salt marsh for fish and shorebird habitat. A freshwater wetland will be created on the south side of John's River where a culvert riser and tide gates will be removed and replaced by a fish ladder. Fish and waterfowl will utilize both of these habitats. Project site is protected and managed by Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife as the John's River State Wildlife Area.

Proponent: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Wildlife Program, 2391 West Deegan Road, Shelton, Washington 98584. Contact: Greg Schirato

Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Near the mouth of John's River, Eleven miles West of Aberdeen on Highway 105, Near Markham, Washington, Grays Harbor County; Section 01, Township 16 North, Range 11 West WM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of the completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issue below. Comments must be submitted by: **March 21, 2000**

Responsible Official: Peter Birch

Position/Title: Environmental Services Division Manager

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e-mail: prattcrp@dfw.wa.gov if you have questions or comments about this determination.

DATE OF ISSUE: March 7, 2000 **SIGNATURE:** Cynthia R. Pratt for Peter Birch